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SENATE BILL 641

46TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2003

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AN ACT

RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES; PROVIDING AN EXCEPTION TO WEIGHT
AND SIZE LIMITATIONS FOR CERTAIN VEHICLES TRANSPORTING SEED
COTTON MODULES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. A new section of the Motor Vehicle Code,
Section 66-7-413.5 NMSA 1978, is enacted to read:

"66-7-413.5. [NEW MATERIAL] EXEMPTION--VEHICLES USED TO
TRANSPORT SEED COTTON MODULES--LIMITATIONS.--

A. A seed cotton module transport vehicle may
transport loads without securing a permit or escort if:

(1) the vehicle is:

- (a) no wider than nine feet;
- (b) no longer than forty-eight feet; and
- (c) no higher than fourteen feet six

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1 inches;

2 (2) the load is not transported for a distance
3 greater than seventy-five miles;

4 (3) the gross vehicle weight of the vehicle is
5 less than fifty-nine thousand four hundred pounds; and

6 (4) the vehicle is not operated on highways
7 for which a more strict size or weight limitation is required
8 by federal law.

9 B. As used in this section, "seed cotton module
10 transport vehicle" means a motor vehicle, trailer or
11 combination of motor vehicle with trailer used exclusively to
12 transport a seed cotton module. "